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THREE CENTS

Party For Anatolia

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Powell of Green Pastures were hostesses at their home Thursday evening, February 27, to a group of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Compton, formerly of this town but now located at Anatolia College in Salonica, Greece. Members of the faculties of the Northfield Schools and local residents joined in an evening of bridge with refreshments and with a showing of the U. S. Treasury film, "America the Beautiful." As a result forty dollars was sent to Mrs. Ernest Riggs, wife of the president of the college, who is in the country to raise funds for a new building campaign.

Still Wants Clothing

Miss Margaret E. Jones of the Friends Service Committee of Philadelphia was a speaker at the Pilgrim Fellowship meeting at the Congregational Church Sunday evening, March 2, and delivered a most interesting talk on the needs of the people in Europe, especially in Austria where she had served and from where she had recently returned. She said that although tons of clothing had been sent and distributed, much more was needed. With the assistance of friends, Mrs. E. M. Powell sent two boxes of clothing to the Friends Service Committee and invites local citizens to contribute more leaving them at Green Pastures for forwarding.

Dig Up Human Bones

Up on Burt Hill about a mile beyond the Massachusetts line and within the town area of Winchester, there was unearthed recently by Thomas J. Solasz, on his farm the bones of a human being which evidently had been buried for many years. At first considerable excitement prevailed and it was thought the remains were those of an Indian. The authorities were notified and an investigation by police and medical officials followed. Dr. Walter Lacey, medical referee of Keene, said the skeleton was very old. However, it was ascertained that a cemetery once was located near the site but that the bodies had been removed elsewhere and the present finding was one of the burials overlooked. The bones were probably those of a child but Sheriff Arthur Jemison sent them to Hanover for study. The skeleton was quite complete and in a good state of preservation. The ground where it was found is of gravel and sand and Solasz was trucking sand to spread over the roadways about his home.

Boys' Cooking Class

The 20 boys of the self-supporting Chef's Club of the high school have been divided into two groups of 10 as the home economics room could not accommodate so many cooks at one time. The four senior boys made pies for the Fortnightly Club food sale. The proceeds of which were for the Senior Class Washington trip.

Town Topics

The W. C. T. U. will meet in regular session with Mrs. N. Fay Smith at Valley Vista Inn on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock March 19 when members are asked to bring an item on delinquency. The International Convention of the W. C. T. U. will meet at Asbury Park, N. J., in May.

Dr. William E. Park of the Northfield Schools was the speaker at the Sunday (March 9) services at Cornell University and at Elmira College.

Mrs. Clayton George of South Vernon suffered a fall on the ice last Thursday and had minor bruises.

The next meeting of the Brotherhood of the Congregational Church will be Tuesday evening, March 18th. After the usual supper, the Selectmen of Northfield will be guests and a forum will follow.

The Historical Society

For its annual dinner meeting the Historical Society were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. George A. Bronson at Bronson's Inn on Tuesday evening, the 4th. Miss Elsie Scott presided and presented the program, the subject of which was Roger Williams, the founder of Rhode Island. There was a good attendance.

The Garden Club

It was an interesting meeting of the Garden Club at Alexander Hall Monday evening, the 3rd, with the president, I. J. Lawrence in the chair. After a short business session Mrs. Allen H. Wright presented the program of the evening in a reading of most important items on flowers. The Flower Show came up for discussion

New Sugar Stamp

It will be spare stamp No. 11 in Ration book 4 which will be good for 10 lbs. of sugar on April 1st. Stamp 53 will expire March 31 and be useless.

and plans are being made but the subject matter will not be fully considered until the April meeting.

Johnson-Rumrill

William G. Johnson, son of J. A. Johnson of Vernon, and Gwendolyn Rumrill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Rumrill of South Vernon, were married by Rev. E. E. Jones, March 7, in the parsonage of Vernon Union Church. They were attended by Raymond R. Annis as best man and Mrs. Virgie Timson as matron of honor.

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Old Resident Passes

Frank F. Collier of Old Wendall Road and presumed to be the oldest man in Northfield, died at his home on Saturday, March 1st, at the age of 94 years and six months. He was born in Montague but had resided in this town for the past 70 years. For the past ten years he was cared for by Mr. and Mrs. Norman F. Collier. He is survived by several nephews and nieces. The funeral services were held at Kidders Funeral parlors on Tuesday, March 4th, and burial was at West Swansey, N. H.

Mrs. Nellie Dale

Mrs. Nellie Dale, widow of the late William H. Dale, died after a short illness at the Farren Memorial Hospital on Saturday, March 1, at the age of 79 years. She had been removed to the hospital only the day before. Her husband, well known here and a successful farmer, died last summer. The survivors include two cousins, Miss Dorothy Dale of Nashua, N. H., and Mrs. Michael Sullivan of Edgewater, N. J. Funeral services were in Kidders Funeral parlors followed by a requiem mass at St. Patrick's Church on Monday and burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Town Topics

The Sunderland tax rate has been announced by its assessors and will be \$5 higher than last year namely \$33.

Teachers Get Sick

The Northfield School Committee, at its meeting February 21, voted unanimously to grant an accumulation of sick leave to teachers not to exceed 25 days in addition to the five days allowance for each current school year. This sick leave credit will be accepted on the presentation of a Doctor's certificate stating that the absence was essential to the health of the teacher. The sick leave can be computed for service in Northfield from September 1, 1941.

Only two teachers of the present staff are eligible for the full 25 days credit. One is eligible for 24 days and one is eligible for 20 days; all the others have less than 10 days accumulation at the present time.

This action by the School Committee was in response to a petition from the Teachers' Club requesting a study of the sick leave regulations.

Nurse Makes Report

Mrs. Natalie Gowen, public health nurse, has made the following report for February: Total number of visits, 101; chronic cases, 45; acute cases, 16; infant health supervision, 18; adult health supervision, nine; pre-school health supervision, three; school health supervision, six; tuberculosis visits, three; talks given, three; social service, one; meetings attended, one; transportation, six.

Town Topics

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Dickerson, Jr., are expected to spend a vacation with her mother, Mrs. William R. Moody, at the Homestead soon. Mr. Dickerson is with the State Department and for some time has been located at Lisbon, Portugal. He expects to become a Consul General in South Africa, by appointment soon. His mother resides in Oldwick, N. J., and all are well known here with many friends.

At the meeting of the Northfield Grange held Tuesday evening, the 11th, Lawrence Ferris presided as Master and welcomed members of Greenfield, Brattleboro and Warwick Granges. It was neighbors night for them and a fine program was enjoyed. Refreshments were served.

Wor Earle Squires and officers of the Mountain Lodge of Masons of Conway will be guests at the special meeting of Harmony Lodge this Friday evening, the 14th. On Friday evening, March 28, Harmony Lodge will hold a Past Masters session following a dinner at 6.30 served by the Northfield Chapter, O.E.S.

Monday evening, March 17, Dr. Paul M. Limbert, president of Springfield College, will address a meeting of the faculty of the School for Girls. His topic will be "The Technique of Leadership of Informal Group Discussion".

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